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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

SINN FEINERS SURPRISED.

MILITARY KILL THIRTEEN ARMED MEN.

A TWO HOURS' FIGHT.

LONDON, February 21.

A report issued by Military Headquarters, Dublin, states that a party of Hampshire surprised a body of armed men in a house near Middleton, Co. Cork, yesterday afternoon. Two hours' fighting resulted in thirteen armed men being killed and three wounded men being captured, also the capture of a number of service rifles and a quantity of ammunition and bombs. One soldier was slightly wounded.

COWARDLY TACTICS.

LONDON, February 21.

It is officially stated in Dublin that the police and military raided the headquarters of the Irish Republican Army and seized important documents. After revolver firing and bombing a motor car containing a party of auxiliaries in Dublin, Sinn Feiners took shelter behind women and children, firing through a living screen. Consequently, the auxiliaries were unable to retaliate.

SHOCKING MURDERS.

Sinn Feiners murdered two well-known Protestant farmers near Skibereen in the presence of their wives.
Armed Sinn Feiners visited the infirmary at Cork and carried a wounded ex-soldier outside and shot him dead.

HISTORIC CONFERENCES.

NEAR EAST AND REPARATIONS TO BE DISCUSSED.

FOREIGN DELEGATES ARRIVING.

LONDON, February 21.

The stage is now set for the historic Near East and reparations conferences in London which it is hoped will result in a settlement of the principal remaining problems arising out of the war. Apart from the Belgian and Turkish Nationalist representatives, the latter of whom are coming to London from Rome, practically all the foreign delegations have now arrived. The French representatives, headed by M. Briand and including General Gouraud, and the Italian representatives, headed by Signor Sforza, the Foreign Minister, reached London last night. The Turkish Government delegates, and the Greek delegation, headed by the Premier, M. Kalogeropoulos, are also here, while M. Venizelos has returned to London from Paris. Mr. Lloyd George, and M. Briand had a cordial meeting at Victoria Station last night when it was arranged that Mr. Lloyd George, M. Briand, and Signor Sforza should hold a preliminary conference at Downing Street to-day.

KNOTTY PROBLEMS.

The official meeting with the Greek and Turkish delegates took place in the historic picture gallery at St. James's Palace. The conference is not expected to begin before Wednesday at the earliest in view of the necessity of the two Turkish delegations first coming to an agreement in order that they may appear together before the conference. The difficulties of the conference are exemplified by the fact that while Greece demands that the Treaty of Sevres should not be altered, France favours radical revision in favour of Turkey, including, it is understood, retrocession to Turkey by Greece of the whole of the Smyrna area, except, perhaps, the city of Smyrna, the fate of which it is suggested should be determined by plebiscite after a term of years.

FRANCE AND REPARATIONS.

February 21.

With regard to the reparations conference opening on March 3, it is emphasised in a message from Paris that the whole of France is determined not to tolerate further concessions to Germany and wants all doubts removed with regard to the enforcement of penalties in the event of German default. In this connection it is suggested that instead of occupying the Ruhr in such an event France might advance into Bavaria and that the recent speeches of Herr von Simons in South Germany inciting resistance to the Allies' demands can be attributed to this possibility.

MANCHESTER FIRES.

DAMAGE TO STOCK-YARDS ESTIMATED AT £30,000.

The Manchester fires numbered a dozen. The damage to stock-yards was £30,000. In one case the incendiaries fired shots at a farmer who refused to hold up his hands. Up to the present two arrests have been made.

REPARATIONS HAGGLE.

WHAT FRANCE WOULD EXACT.

BRUSSELS, February 20.

It is semi-officially stated that the amount of the war indemnity proposed by France to the Reparations Commission aggregates 218½ billion paper francs, at present equivalent to 66 billion gold marks.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

PRESIDENT-ELECT DEPLORES "LOOSE TALK."

WASHINGTON, February 20.

According to a St. Augustine telegram to the Washington Post, President-elect Harding deprecates the "loose talk" concerning Japan, and hopes to remove the causes of friction between the two countries. Mr. Harding is reported to be considering the appointment of Mr. Henry Fletcher as Ambassador to Tokyo.

GREEK OFFENSIVE POSTPONED.

ATHENS, February 20.

A Smyrna telegram states that the Turks have apparently got wind of what is afoot by the extensive preparations. Consequently the Greek offensive has been postponed.

THE DOLLAR.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

NEW DUTCH EAST INDIES CURRENCY.

LONDON, February 19th.

The *Financial Times* Amsterdam correspondent says that the Government is considering the question of the appointment of a special committee to study the question of establishing a separate currency in the East India colonies. Mynheer Vissering, President of the Netherlands Bank, advocates the creation of an East Indian rupee for the Colonies.

PEACE GUARANTEE.

PARIS, February 19th.

M. Jules Cambon, President of the Ambassadors' Conference, lecturing at Brussels on "Europe of To-morrow" stated that the Franco-British Entente is throwing roots deeper every day, but each nation wishes to retain economic independence and individuality. M. Cambon recommended special agreements on specific cases, rather than general agreements. M. Cambon wound up by declaring that the union of France, England and Belgium is the best guarantee for the peace of the world.—*Havas*.

FRANCO-POLISH AGREEMENT.

PARIS, February 20th.

Following a lengthy conference between M. Briand, Prince Sapieha, the Polish Foreign Minister, and General Sosnowski, the Polish Minister of War, it is announced that a Franco-Polish military and economic agreement has been practically reached.

SUGAR DECONTROL.

LONDON, February 19th.

The Food Controller announces that sugar will be decontrolled on February 25th.

U.S. EMERGENCY TARIFF.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.

Conversing with Mr. Fordney, Mr. Harding declared that prompt emergency tariff legislation was necessary.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

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MR. SHAW'S LIBEL ACTION.

AGAINST EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF
"FAR EASTERN REVIEW."

SHANGHAI, Feb. 20.

A petition has been filed for libel proceedings in the American Court in which Mr. Shaw, of Antung, claims \$50,000 each from Mr. Gallagher, the editor, and Mr. Bronson Rea, the publisher, of the *Far Eastern Review*. The plaintiff complains that the *Far Eastern Review*, in an article written by Mr. Gallagher, states that he (the plaintiff) is an Asiatic Sinn Feiner, an enemy of human progress, and an enemy of Great Britain and her allies.

CATHOLIC BISHOPS.

FAR EASTERN MISSIONS.

FORTHCOMING MEETING IN HONGKONG.

According to the Catholic magazine *Religio e Patria*, a meeting will take place next month in Nazareth, Pofulum, of all the Bishops of the Missions Etrangères de Paris, throughout the Far East, for the purpose of modifying and altering the rules of the Society, which was established 300 years ago. Hongkong was chosen for the place of the meeting on account of its central position.

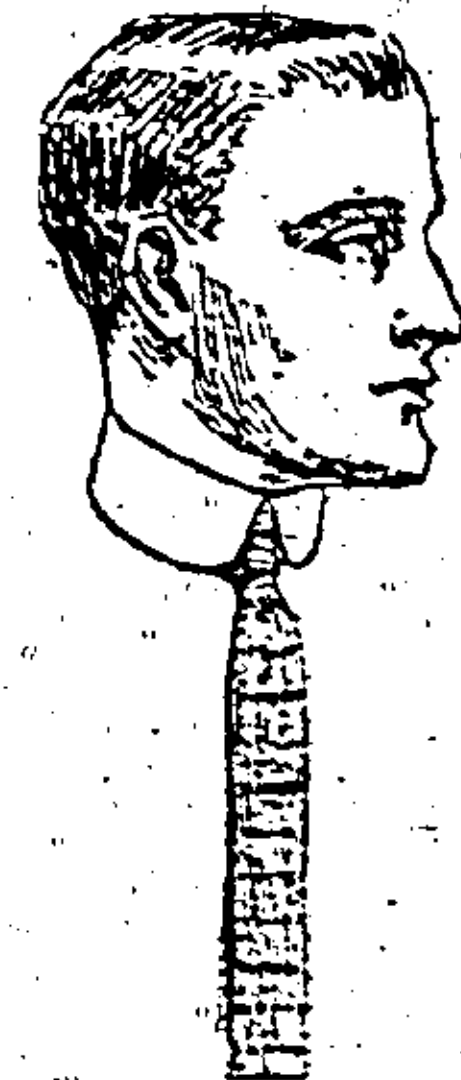
There are already about 30 prelates here from various parts, including Mons. Pozzoni, Bishop of Hakodate, a great admirer of the ancient Portuguese missionaries.

The Magazine further states that Mons. Pozzoni, availing himself of the presence of so many bishops, intends in accordance with the recommendation made by the Pope, to celebrate a solemn triduum in honour of St. Joseph on March 4, 5, and 6.

According to *Religio e Patria*, the Revd. Father Lynch has been invited to give a spiritual retreat here during the Holy Week. The magazine suggests that in view of the increasing number of Catholics it would be well to have two annual retreats, one in Portuguese in the Cathedral for the Portuguese community and the other in English, in St. Joseph's Church, for the English community.

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FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late Mr. James Macdonald, Government Marine Surveyor, will take place at the Happy Valley Cemetery on Tuesday, February 22, 1921, passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

The China Mail.

TRAFFIC, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEB. 21, 1921.

THE PREVALENT MANIA.

It is considered by the learned Hume to be established as a certain maxim that in all moral as well as natural phenomena, wherever the cause consists of a number of parts, and the effect increases or diminishes, according to the variation of that number, the effect, properly speaking, is a compounded one, and arises from the union of the several effects that proceed from each part of the cause. Inasmuch as the cause at present consists of an unvarying number of digits grasping a varying number of cash, and as the effects are generally as we find them, it is to be concluded that David knew not this particular phenomenon. Nor can we be accused of assuming too much if we add that he was probably similarly unaware of cash sweeps and club sweeps, such as appear to be in full possession of the minds of most people here this week.

In view of our ordinance prohibiting gambling, and of the frequent prosecutions of petty offenders against it, there is something humorous in the open extent to which this "vice" is just now being indulged. If there is a club that hasn't a "sweep" with the

kets hawked about for sale to anybody who will buy, we haven't heard of it. Tickets and drawings, of almost every conversation one hears. The *China Mail*, knowing that Hongkong dearly loves a "flutter," had planned to have a Census Competition, the nearest estimates of the population to be ascertained in April next to take a percentage of the pool, and the balance to go to charity. That would have harmed nobody, certainly no more than this week's annual orgy does; it would have awakened an intelligent interest in the census; and it would have benefited charity. However, the Government, when appealed to, declined to give us permission.

What is the point? Are we attempting to persuade the Government and the people of this Colony to be consistent? Certainly not. We have not been in existence as a going concern for 76 years, observing and recording the sayings and doings of humankind, to be now at this time of day so simple as that. We neither expect to abolish the universal instinct for a gamble, nor to do away with the unfair discrimination which says that one set of people may gamble and another not, which says that certain forms of gambling are respectable and lawful, and others not.

Whether it be dollar-limit poker at a public ball, shares bought or sold "on margin," a lottery at a public race meeting, or a Chinese game which means a police raid and a magisterial fine, gambling is immoral for the loser who cannot afford it. A curious psychological fact is that those who can afford to lose cannot really gamble. There is no thrill in it for them. The hazard which men mean comparative temporary affluence and largesse, or temporary indigence and cheeping, perhaps actual deprivation, awakes no excitement for them. They are immune, and if

drawn into a "flutter," maintain an even pulse, and miss the zest of it.

So it might be argued on these lines that the majority of people who have been buying sweep tickets lately are not gambling. They can afford what they have spent, and if they get no monetary return, will not feel it. They take a chance or chances in a cold-blooded sort of way to win, and are not hurt if they lose. As for the actual penny races which help to decide whether they win or lose, many of them will not even see them.

Then why mention the matter at all? For one thing it is Race Week, and some notice of that must be taken, if we would be in the swim at all. Then again, as a local poet said some time ago:

If you've never heard tell of the Mph-Mph,
The interest's likely to pall;
But it's past contravening you'll not get the meaning,
For there's not any meaning at all.

However, there is one way of importing a meaning that each reader will readily take to heart. It is revealed in a couple of words. Good luck.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A non-fatal case of small-pox, Chinese, was reported on Saturday.

Members of the Helena May Institute and their friends are reminded that the Bishop of Victoria will give an address at the Institute tomorrow, Tuesday, February 22.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending February 5, 1921, amounted to 31,812 tons and the sale during the period, to 62,762 tons.

On Pokfulam Road yesterday afternoon, a Chinese woman was knocked down by motor car No. 145. The woman, who received a compound fracture of the leg, was removed to hospital in the car which knocked her down.

About 2 a.m., yesterday a small fire broke out in a farmer's matchbox at Lanchun Valley, Leungpai, in the Taipo district. The matchbox was completely gutted. The extent of the damage done and the origin of the outbreak are unknown. The property was not insured.

St. Andrew's Church Men's Association has arranged to hold a debate in the Church Hall on Wednesday, February 23 to be opened at 8.45 p.m. The subject to be debated upon is "Is Great Britain on the decline?" All members and their friends are invited to attend.

The end of the lunar year has been disastrous for cotton yarn merchants of Tientsin. The losses of dealers in Japanese yarn came to \$11,000,000, and those dealing in other foreign yarn incurred losses double this amount. A number of native banks have consequently gone bankrupt.

More than \$3,000,000 is due to the United States Government in unpaid income taxes from American citizens residing in the Philippines, according to Salvatore Romano, Federal income tax official of Honolulu, who was in Manila recently to conduct an investigation of the income tax situation there.

Prof. C. H. Robertson, scientist of Shanghai, is in Hongkong this week and will deliver lectures each afternoon and evening on the subject of "Wireless Telegraphy." These lectures will be held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. auditorium, 71 Bridges Street, and will be free of any charge. Complete technical apparatus will be used to illustrate the subject. The public is invited to hear this interesting lecture which will be delivered in both English and Chinese. Prof. Robertson will be remembered by many of our citizens as he was here several years ago and gave lectures on the "Gyroscope."

JAIL FOR COMFORT!

PRISON BOUGHT.

HUNGRY MAN'S UNUSUAL ACTION.

Driven to jail by hunger was the plight of a half-starved Chinese who was this morning charged before Magistrate Orme, at the instance of Sub-Inspector Ogg of the Yaumati Police Station with having returned from banishment.

The accused, who admitted the offence, said that he had to come back because he could not find work in the country and was starving.

Inspector Ogg said that the accused gave himself up to the police. Remarking that wholesome food in the jail would restore the accused's physique, the Magistrate passed sentence of six months' hard labour.

SPECIAL CABLES.

SHANGHAI PAPER HUNT.

LADIES PARTICIPATE.

LADY JOCKEYS PROBABLE.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21. A departure in the registered annals of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club was made when ladies participated in the main sport on Sunday afternoon. Miss Hoerter was first, finishing in capital style. Lady jockeys will probably participate in race meetings in future.

A SHANGHAI BOLSHIEVIE.

EJECTED FROM GARDENS.

CONSTABLE CUTS SHORT HARANGUE.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21. A Russian of Bolshevik persuasion who tried to harangue a crowd in the public gardens was thrown out by a stalwart Sikh policeman.

SHANGHAI LABOUR.

INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATION.

CHICAGO UNION JOINED.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21. The Chinese Labourers' Association recently discussed a telegram from the International Labourers' Union at Chicago inviting them to join the union. The invitation was accepted. The French language union and Shanghai street union have been manifesting activities lately. The police are vigilant.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

CHINESE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

DEADLOCK CONTINUES.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21. The deadlock continues relative to the appointment of the Chinese advisory committee to the Municipal Council, the latter not receding from its stand, namely that the advisory committee is not subject to the orders of the controlling supervisory body of 22 persons. The Chinese Ratepayers' Association, which is obviously becoming restive, misconstruing the Council's attitude as obstructiveness, intends to hold a general meeting of Chinese ratepayers to decide what action should be taken. The Council is adamant and resolved not to tolerate dual control.

BRITISH WOMEN.

NEW ASSOCIATION.

USEFUL RESULTS EXPECTED.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21. The draft of the constitution of the British Women's Association will receive confirmation on March 4 at the inaugural meeting in the Masonic Hall when an overflow attendance is anticipated surpassing Friday's meeting at the Consulate. The scheme, which provides for a residential and social club for British women, is regarded as a distinct asset to the Empire movement and is meeting with cordial and extensive support. The results are expected to be far-reaching.

SHANGHAI BILLIARDS.

GRAY BEATS JENSEN.

CHAMPION IN GOOD FORM.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21. Gray recovered his form, defeating Jensen on Sunday night. The scores were Gray 700 and Jensen 308, receiving 300. Gray has practically recovered from his influenza attack.

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UNUSUAL COURT SEQUEL.

ACCUSED DISCHARGED WITHOUT EXPLANATION.

Yesterday a Chinese revenue officer who boarded a cargo junk in the harbour to search for contraband, discovered 3,900 taels of prepared non-Government opium, valued at over \$50,000. The drug was seized and the master of the junk arrested.

This morning when the case was called at the Magistrate's, the prosecution asked for permission to withdraw the charge. The reason for this was given, excepting that the application was made on instruction. The accused was discharged; but the drug was confiscated.

FAMINE RELIEF.

SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER.

CHURCH SERVICES YESTERDAY.

Yesterday was a special Day of Prayer for the success of the drive to obtain funds for relief in North China, and—as in other European communities in China—the collections at a majority of the services in Hongkong were donated to the relief funds.

The Bishop of Victoria made reference to the appeal and the need, both at the morning service at St. John's Cathedral, and at the evening service at St. Andrew's, Kowloon.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay preached at St. Andrew's in the morning. H. E. the Governor was present. There was an appropriate address by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, at Union Church, and a special service at St. Stephen's Church.

At the morning service in St. John's Cathedral, before delivering his sermon, the Bishop of Victoria spoke of the appeal. He said it was plain that the fund was wholly inadequate to meet the situation. The Bishop reminded the congregation of a telegram received by His Excellency the Governor from H. M. Minister at Peking last month: "Many thanks for Government grants for famine relief. Millions are facing starvation. Available funds totally inadequate, and position now desperate. \$10 saves a life." Proceeding, the Bishop read an extract from a letter received only two days ago from the Famine Committee, Peking: "Sending millions home to die is the action that is being forced upon relief agencies in every part of the Republic. With an estimated population of 25 million persons facing starvation and with funds and supplies that cannot save more than two millions, famine workers are daily turning whole families away from relief stations—sending them home to die; and deaths from actual starvation do not include all the casualties. Famine fever and famine dropsy are appearing. Typhus is inevitable in the spring. In addition to this there is the added terror of the sale of women and children. Everywhere there is starvation, menace of death by disease, sales of girls and women, torturing, cold, suicides and bandits." The Bishop said he need hardly say any more by way of appeal. He would only add that if any outside the Cathedral were able to respond, money sent to the Colonial Treasurer would be remitted by telegram to His Majesty's Minister at Peking.

OBITUARY.

MR. WILLIAM MCGRANN.

Mr. William McGrann, the keeper of the Peak Signal Station, died on Saturday morning at the Government Civil Hospital. The news that he had passed away came as a great shock to his many friends. He was 70 years of age, and for fifteen years had been in the service of the Harbour Department; consequently he was widely known, and by reason of his cordial and courteous nature, was very popular.

Mr. McGrann was apparently in good health until January 5, when he became ill of nephritis and entered the hospital. He failed to make progress, and the end came on Saturday morning about 5 o'clock.

He first came to Hongkong on H. M. S. "Meane," which he left, after twelve years' naval service, to take employment with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. Later he returned to the "Meane" as keeper and after the ship was dismantled, became associated with the Harbour Office.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley, in the presence of a large company of mourners. The Rev. Fr. Augustine officiated in the Chapel and at the graveside, referring eloquently to the character of the deceased. There were present many officials of the Harbour Office, ships' captains, and friends, and many beautiful wreaths were deposited on the grave.

Mr. McGrann left a widow; a son, Mr. Allan McGrann; and a daughter, Miss Minnie McGrann. They were the chief mourners, and with them were Lt.-Com. Cunway Hake, R.N., acting Harbour Master, Boarding Officers Mulver, Thomson, McKay, Leigh and Taylor; Captain Brown, Captain Willcott, Captain Deme and Captain Walker, Messrs. W. Blakestone Hind, Sirdar Khan, Victor Hast, M. T. Blake and R. S. Vergeite, Junk Inspectors R. L. Rocha and A. Delgado with their staffs of Chinese boatmen. The coffin was carried to the grave by Messrs W. Pope, L. P. O'Sullivan, D. J. F. Cronin, L. H. Brown, Cooper and Sergeant Kerrison.

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CRIMINAL SESSION.

TRIALS IN TWO COURTS.

ARMED ROBBERIES.

Criminal Sessions were held this morning by both the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood. Before the Acting Chief Justice five men, Wu Chak, Chan Fat Wing, Lau Tsi, Wu Pak Chin, and Lun Yun were charged with robbery on January 15, in stealing from Leung Shi and others a quantity of money, blankets, clothing, boxes and jewellery.

The defendants pleaded not guilty. Mr. Dyer Ball, assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. Mason, appeared for the fifth defendant, Lun Yun. A separate trial was provided for this defendant and proceeded with, the trial of the remaining four defendants being deferred until its conclusion.

The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. W. L. Marshall, C. I. da Rosa, W. J. Ratay, Ho Leung, A. Edwards, O. A. de Carvalho, and I. Rocha.

Mr. Dyer Ball, outlining the case, said that the defendant was charged with robbery in company with four others in a house occupied by four Chinese women. The men entered the house early in the morning, saying they were searching for illicit opium. The men were armed with revolvers, and a dagger was found on the floor after they left. They forced the women into a cubicle and there detained them. After the men had gathered the goods they wanted, they called the women out of the cubicle, bound them and gagged them with sugar cane. They then left. The women released themselves an hour later and notified the police.

The defendant had been a watchman in that neighbourhood. Most of the property recovered was found in a house on a street on which he was seen. He had made a statement when arrested, that he had assisted in planning the robbery and had seen the men.

As the case proceeded, Mr. Jenkin brought out that the defendant alleged the admission he had made had been obtained from him by violence; that several Chinese detectives had beaten him at No. 7 Police Station and compelled him to make the statement. Because of the seriousness of the allegation, the question was taken up fully, and the entire hearing this morning was given over to interrogation of the detectives accused and the examination of other witnesses on the subject.

C. 213, a Crown Sergeant, was pointed out by the prisoner as a detective who had beaten him. He denied it fully. Mr. Jenkin called him over to look at the left hand of the prisoner, which bore marks of an injury.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that that injured thumb is the result of a beating at No. 7 Police Station. Witness: I know nothing about it.

He denied also that he had ever heard of a prisoner being beaten at No. 7 Station.

Two other detectives, C236 and C35 gave similar testimony. Both of them also were pointed out by the prisoner as men who had either been present when the beating took place, or had taken part in administering it.

Sub-Inspector Wills of No. 7 Police Station said that in his opinion the beating could not have happened. It was then discovered that the prisoner meant to allege that he had been taken from his cell to the Chinese detectives' room, and there beaten, and that it did not occur in his cell, as had been at first supposed. Mr. Jenkin explained that he had not had an opportunity to be fully instructed, and that as a matter of fact he was getting his instructions from the dock as the case was proceeding.

His Lordship then, with a remark that he thought they ought to go to the bottom of the matter, adjourned the Court for fifteen minutes to allow Mr. Jenkin to confer with the prisoner.

When the Court opened again, Mr. Jenkin re-called the detectives and questioned them on the prisoner's story that he had been beaten about 5.10 on the morning of the 15th, and on the following day, Sunday, had been taken into the Chinese detectives' room, about 2 p.m., and again beaten. They denied every word of the story.

Sub-Inspector Wills, re-called, said in answer to questions that it would not be possible for detectives to get the keys to take the prisoner from his cell, without authority, and further that the Chinese detectives' room, in which the assault is said to have occurred, is situated across a passage from the Charge Room, with only swinging doors, open top and bottom, and that there is always a European officer in charge. The hearing was resumed this afternoon.

Before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, Tai Yau Lun and Pang Yau Fuk were charged with assault with intent to rob. The offence took place on January 15.

The prisoners pleaded not guilty. The following jury was empanelled: Mr. T. Palmer, A. L. du Bois, J. P. Braga, F. A. M. Rosario, Wong Ping Shun, James Dineen and Dr. T. T. Wai. Mr. Wakeman, Crown Solicitor, outlining the case, said that on the night of January 15 Chan Loy, a

COMPANY REPORT.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO. LTD.

Subject to final Audit, the Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., will recommend at the forthcoming annual general meeting of shareholders the following allocation of the profits for the past year viz—

To pay to Shareholders a final Dividend of \$5.00 per share and a bonus of \$11.00 per share making \$20.00 per share for the year 1920. To transfer to reserve account \$1,750,000.00 To write off Buildings 1,442,736.63 To pay a bonus to Staff 110,000.00 and carry forward about 800,000.00

KINEMA NOTES.

HONGKONG THEATRE.

"SPIRIT SEANCES" NIGHTLY.

"The Blood Barrier," a thrilling 6-part drama, featuring Sylvia Breamer, and Major Trevor, is the leading attraction at the Hongkong Theatre. During the week, commencing to-night, the mysterious "Orville" is giving a series of spirit seances, including "weird manifestations, such as the lifting of tables, the appearance of spirit faces, and the receipt of sealed messages from the dead." Among other strange things, musical instruments will be played by unseen hands, and fresh flowers from the spirit world will be passed to the audience. During the seance, "Orville" will answer any and all questions the light by the audience and will cause minds to concentrate upon one thought at the same time.

COMPRADORE SYSTEM.

"NEFARIOUS SYSTEM."

ANOTHER PARTINGTON ARTICLE.

In the course of an article in *The Financier* on "Openings in China," Mr. Thos. Bowen Partington, of Hongkong, discusses the Compradore System, explaining in detail how it works. His conclusions he states as follows:—"The system is nefarious, and should be destroyed. It makes for very inefficient management, prevents intimate relations between Chinese and foreigners, is an unnecessary superstructure on the organisation of business, and it has strengthened a class of men who are not sufficiently educated to understand how to use their money to the advantage of themselves and their country."

On the whole, it is one of the greatest impediments to the development of China, and both Chinese and progressive foreigners are working out plans for doing away with it. Neither the Standard Oil Co. of New York nor the British-American Tobacco Co. use compradores, and both organisations extend credit to Chinese. The average exporter and importer is, however, afraid of innovation, and persists in a system which does him infinite ultimate harm. Several firms in Shanghai have instituted a movement to establish a credit system which would deal a death blow to the compradore, but in the present disorganised state of the country its introduction would be attended by many uncertainties.

farmer living in a village in the New Territories heard a noise, and found that men were breaking in the door of his house. He seized a bamboo carrying pole and hit at one of the men. A hand came through the opening, with a revolver. He pushed it aside. It was discharged, and the bullet entered the wall of the house. He notified the police, and these two men were later arrested.

When they were charged at the Police Court, both admitted having taken part in the robbery. Subsequently, before the Magistrate, they said they had nothing to add. Chan Loy told the story of the robbery. He said the men had a torch with them, which they threw in the room. The bamboo pole with which he fought them off was produced in Court. It was a formidable weapon, being shod with iron and pointed at the end.

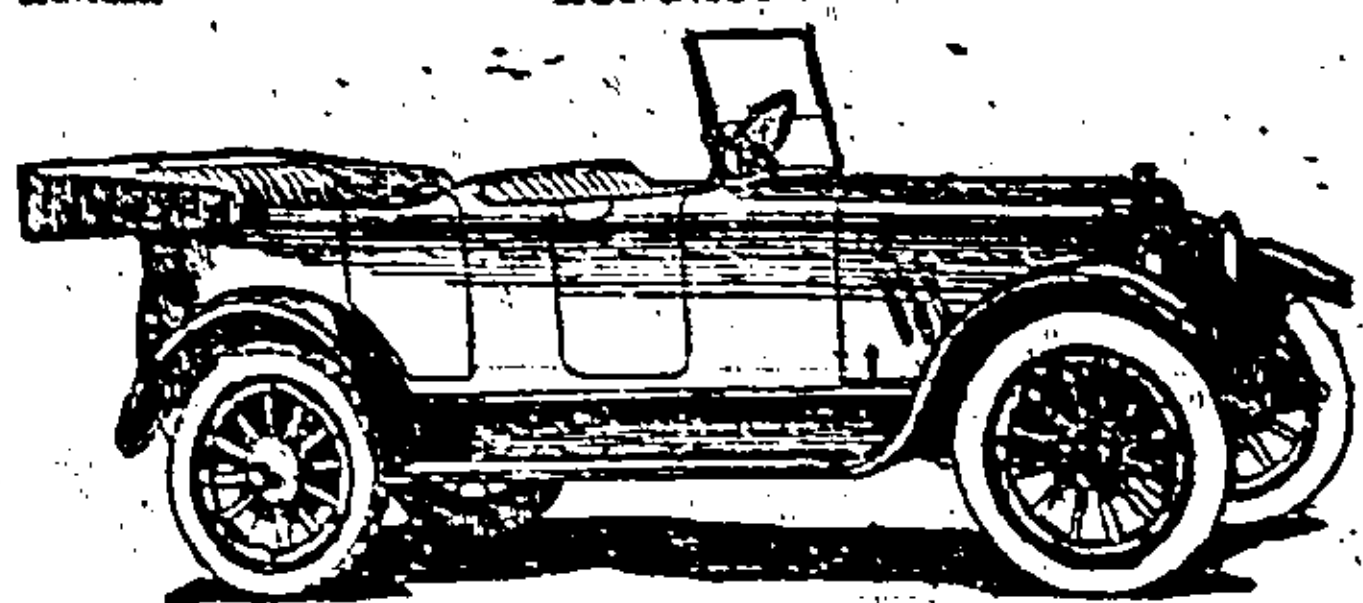
At the conclusion of the testimony the Court told the jury that the case against the second prisoner was solely and entirely the statement he had made. He had made it twice.

The jury retired and returned with a verdict of guilty against both prisoners, the first unanimously, the second by 6 to 1. The Court sentenced them each to seven years' hard labour and ten strokes of the Cat.

In Cheung was charged with having been found in the building at 215 Reclamation Street, Yaumati, last night, with intent to commit a felony. The offence occurred on December 27. The property is a fire cracker shop. The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Renter's Service to the China Mail.)

FRANCE AND POLAND.

ECONOMIC AND MILITARY AGREEMENTS.

PARIS, February 20.

A Havas message states: M. Briand today had a long interview with the Polish Premier, Prince Sapieha, and the Polish War Minister, M. Sosnowski, regarding the economic and military agreements about to be concluded between France and Poland. Every point being practically settled, signatures are likely to be exchanged in a few days.

GHOST SHIPS.

NEW ENGLAND LEGENDS.

FAMOUS SPECTRE SHIPS.

The coast of New England has many legends concerning spectre ships firmly believed by the rugged fishermen, who assert stoutly that on various occasions glimpses of the shadowy craft have been seen, followed by disaster.

The spectre of the "Palentine" is occasionally seen on the Sound, and is the forerunner of a gale. She was a Dutch trading vessel and was wrecked off Block Island in 1752. The wreckers, it is said, made short work of her, stripping her fore and aft and setting fire to the hull.

As she drifted blazing off the coast a human form was visible amid the flames, the form of a woman passenger, left to perish on the doomed craft. Since, and generally upon the anniversary of the wreck, a phantom ship with blazing hull, charred spars and scorched sail and rigging has been cruising off Block Island.

Whittier recorded the legend in graceful verse, as well as that of a ghostly cruiser that sailed from a New England port on her last voyage, which he termed "The Dead Ship of Salem."

In the seventeenth century a ship was about to sail from Salem, Mass., to England. Her cargo was on board, sails bent and passengers on deck, when two strangers came hurriedly on board and engaged passage. The couple were a young man and a young woman, who, tradition records, were remarkable for their bearing and beauty.

Who they were or whence they came no one in Salem could tell. The ship being detained by adverse winds, the mysterious couple excited the suspicions of the townspeople, who viewed them as uncanny and prophesied disaster to the vessel if they were allowed to sail on her. But the master, a gruff and stern sailor, refused to listen, and finally departed on a Friday.

The vessel never reached her destination and was never spoken, but later in the year incoming vessels reported sighting a craft with luminous rigging and sails and shining hull and spars. She was sailing with all canvas set against the wind, with a crew of dead men standing in the shrouds and leaning over the rail, while on the quarter deck stood a young and beautiful couple.

It is said that the French fishermen from the Magdalen Islands and the matter of fact Yankee skippers of Bangor, Me., alike shun the shores of Bay Chaleur after dark and refuse to put in at Dead Man's Cove under any circumstances, preferring to run the risk of foundering in a hurricane in the open sea to sharing the shelter of the cove with the phantom ship.

This famous spectre of the sea is said to appear only in the calm preceding a great storm, with every stitch of canvas drawing and her decks swarming with men, all running to and fro as if in a panic. Ahead of her the water is like glass; behind her the gale comes tearing along, beating the sea into froth and driving her straight on through everything in her way. She is an ancient model, full rigged and gray all over—hull, upper works, sails and spars—as if formed of fog. Gray, too, is her ghastly crew.

The inhabitants of St. Pierre tell of a smack on a herring trip that found herself right in the track of the phantom ship. Captain and crew had heard of the ghostly vessel, but scoffed at it, and when they saw her loom up in the twilight straight ahead they thought a collision imminent and the startled steersman put the helm over. The sea wrath swept down upon them, and in the space of a breath had passed right through them and was racing madly astern in the direction of Dead Man's Cove.

A fishing schooner from Magdalen Island warned by the thickening sky of an approaching storm, put in at the cove to ride out the gale. Before she had reached anchorage a ship was seen coming rapidly behind, also heading for the cove. As it drew near the captain got out his glass to see if he knew the stranger. Suddenly he dropped to his knees and commenced to pray. "Blessed be," he said, "it's a ghost. I saw a sea gull fly right through her mainsail!"

Every man threw himself on his face, afraid to look. The first to raise his head and look over the rail was the cabin boy. "Oh, get up; get up, all of you," he shouted, "she's gone." The crew lost no time in making sail out of the cove in the teeth of a black squall.

Another story (says *The New York Herald*) is that of a smack from St. Pierre which saw the phantom anchored just inside the cove at sunset. A small boat filled with men was making trips between the gray ship and the beach, as each trip unloading boxes and barrels, which other men waiting ashore buried in the sand. The captain did not wait to see whether they were interring dead men or chests of treasure, but got away from the place as fast as he could.

Old sailors along the Maine coast firmly believe that the phantom ship is an old merchantman that went down with all on board trying to reach the cove in a great storm in 1784; but at St. Pierre the fishermen will tell you that it is a pirate haunting the spot where the buccaneer crew hid the treasure for which they lost their souls.

HUMANITY'S CRADLE.

THE OLDEST MAN.

MALAYA TO BE SEARCHED.

The *Manila Times* says:—Some time during the present year there will come to the Philippines an expedition that has been organized to search Asia from the farthest north to the farthest south, and from the extreme east to the extreme west for the oldest man.

Rightly or wrongly scientists have generally assumed that the cradle of the human race was in the East—in Asia, and there is a very general belief in these days, that it was in the great central Asia plateau north of the Himalayas that man first originated. The American Museum of Natural History, in co-operation with the American Asiatic Association, is organizing a great expedition to carry on scientific work in the Asiatic continent. This will be the largest and most comprehensive expedition ever sent out on such a quest. According to an announcement made by its organizer a special study will be made of the living aboriginal inhabitants, and the remnants of prehistoric tribes as well as of the geography and the mammal birds, fish and reptiles. By such means it is hoped to obtain new facts relating to the origin, development and migrations of the human race.

The basic theory to be on is that prehistoric man was hunter and that as the animals, birds and fish he hunted remained from continent to continent, man travelled all over the then known world. Such fossils of prehistoric animals have been found in Central Asia and in China as to lead to the belief that the human species must be as ancient as are the fossils and therefore the most ancient known.

There still exists in China a tribe known as the Lolo who maintain an independent territory in Szechuan, one of the richest and most populous provinces of China. These Lolo are somewhat on a par with the wilder of the Negritos of the Philippines in

that they are very zealous of their independent existence. No Chinese is permitted to cross the borders of their kingdom, and attempts to do so invariably terminate in death. Lolo who venture forth into the neighbouring territory will at times be captured, and in retaliation the Lolo, a few nights later, will attack and burn an entire Chinese village, kill the men and carry the women into captivity. French explorers who have managed to work themselves into the good graces of the Lolo report them to be a charming people of hospitable temperament and high mentality. They are a people of great simplicity and remarkable in their native courtesy. They are totally different to the Chinese and show marked indications of Caucasian blood.

Little exploration has been done in this region of Asia on account of its remoteness and the difficulty of access, both of which make such labour enormously expensive. Chinese superstitions as to the ground are another great obstacle. The *fen-shui* or spirits of the earth, wind and water, have to be contended with.

The American Museum of Natural History sent out expeditions for work in Asia in 1916-1917, and in 1919. They first visited Yunnan and obtained there 3,000 mammals as well as many birds, reptiles and batrachians. The second expedition of 1919 extended work to Mongolia and northern China and obtained a large number of specimens. As a result of these expeditions and that now organized it is expected that New York will become within the next ten years, the seat of the most important natural history collections of Asia in the world. The expedition will commence its Eastern search from the Pacific coast. Arriving at Yokohama one section travels to Formosa, the Philippines, Borneo and the Dutch East Indies, returning to the Philippines *en route* to Hongkong where it will meet the rest of the expedition that will carry on its investigations in China and Mongolia. The work will then be pushed both north and south, north through Siberia and Russia to Petrograd and Stockholm and south through Singapore, Colombo, India, Tibet, Arabia to Cairo.

The high steps of the Tibetan plateau, the sandy wastes of the Gobi desert, the snow covered peaks of the Himalayas, the dense forests of the Malayan peninsula and the semitropical jungles of the Southern China are expected to offer some valuable specimens of animal, bird, mammal, reptile as well as of human life.

FUNERAL.

MR. JAMES MACDONALD.

The funeral of the late Mr. James Macdonald, for many years Government Marine Surveyor in Hongkong, will take place to-morrow at Happy Valley, passing the monument at 5 p.m.

Mr. Macdonald died recently in Australia while on a trip taken for his health, and his body is expected here to-day. It will be interred in the section reserved for old Civil Servants. Mr. Macdonald was in Hongkong for more than thirty years, and had a very wide circle of friends. Consequently there will undoubtedly be a large attendance at the funeral.

Among the passengers due in Hongkong by the P. & O. s.s. "Karnata" to-morrow is Mrs. Drummond, wife of Mr. W. H. Drummond, the barrister. Mrs. Drummond is a daughter of the late Sir Edmund Grimani Hornby, formerly judge of the Supreme Court in Constantinople and afterwards First Chief Justice of the Supreme Court for China and Japan at Shanghai and Korea respectively.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

INSURANCE OFFICES.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, February 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th, from 11.45 a.m.

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Secretaries.
FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.
MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG & CANTON.
Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

RACE DAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be OPEN for the transaction of EXCHANGE BUSINESS on WEDNESDAY to SATURDAY, the 23rd to 26th instant, inclusive, from 9 to 11 a.m. only.
Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1921.

"D.A.J." extend a cordial invitation to all their friends to attend the forthcoming Race Meeting at their Private Stand.
No Cards are being issued.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.

MEMBERS are requested to attend the funeral of the late Mr. JAMES MACDONALD, Government Marine Surveyor, which will pass the Monument at 5 p.m., TO-MORROW Tuesday, 22nd February, 1921.

NOTICE.

MR. H. A. CASTRO HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that on the 15th September, 1920, he severed all connection with the firm of R. A. Beaumont & Co., late of Prince's Building, Hongkong, and started the firm of H. A. Castro & Co. on 1st November, 1920, and that neither he nor the said firm of H. A. Castro & Co. have any connection whatsoever with the late R. A. Beaumont & Co. and that Mr. R. A. Beaumont has no interest whatsoever in the firm of H. A. Castro & Co.

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Dated Hongkong the 21st day of February, 1921.

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LOST in Kowloon, FOX-TERRIER PUP about 4 months old, brown head. If found, please communicate with 36 Hansi Road, Kowloon. Reward.

G. R.
NAVY CONTRACTS 1921-1922.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, for the supply of the undermentioned stores, for H. M. NAVAL SERVICE, at Hongkong, during the period 1st April, 1921 to 31st March, 1922, will be received by the COMMODORE, H. M. NAVAL DEPOT, until noon on MONDAY, the 7th March, 1921:—

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The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

H. M. NAVAL DEPOT,
Kowloon, February 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, February 22, 1921, commencing at 11 a.m. at No. 26 Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. Kowloon.

20 casks Disinfectant fluid.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
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TUESDAY, February 22, 1921, at 12 o'clock (noon), at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), 233 1/2 sacks American Flour.
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Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

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From MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

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Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED WEDNESDAY 23rd, THURSDAY 24th, FRIDAY 25th and SATURDAY 26th, instant.

By Order of the COMMITTEE,
P. TESTER,
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Hongkong, February 19, 1921.

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Hongkong, February 19, 1921.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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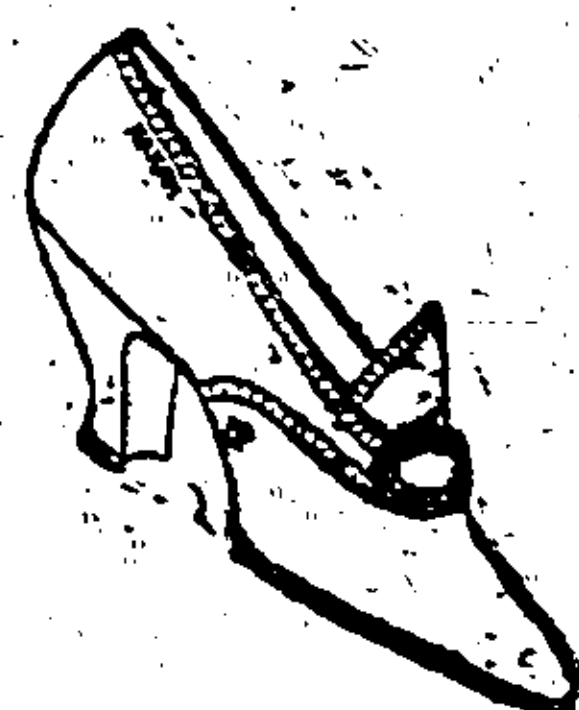
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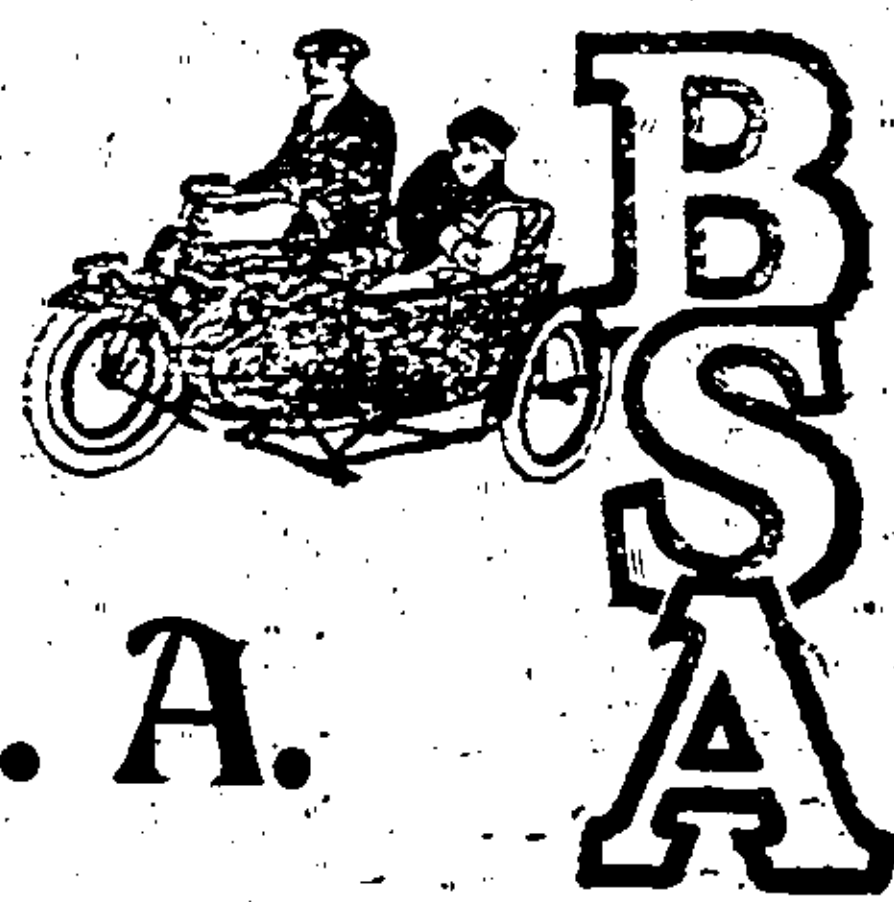
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VANITY INCREASING.

TOO LOVELY FOR WORK.

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The increasing tendency of the "shave-and-brush-up" shop to develop into a beauty parlour seems to afford affirmative evidence.

The number of men who come in for a shave and nothing but a shave, is very small nowadays. A West-end barber told a Daily Chronicle representative.

"They want something more than that, and I can assure you the modern man's toilet is a very comprehensive affair. That is why I have to employ a couple of trained manicurists, and why all my assistants have to be artists in massage and the use of the hot towel."

"My business would lose 'tone,' and I should lose custom if I did not keep constantly on view a dainty array of face creams and powders and prettily-coloured preparations for the hair. The successful business man of to-day must be well groomed, and it is our business to see that he is."

A City man said: "There is all the difference in the world between a well-groomed man and a fop. I require my clerks to be clean and neat, and properly shaved but if needn't go any further than that."

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FROM SHANGHAI.

"LEE."

—N. G. Daily News.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

FALL IN COST OF LIVING.

LONDON, February 20th. The Ministry of Labour states that the cost of living in January was 14 per cent. below the December rate. The average level of retail prices in certain commodities, including food, rent, clothing, fuel and light, was 1 per cent. above the prices in July 1914, as compared with 133 per cent. on January 1st. The decrease was mainly due to reductions in the prices of several principal articles of food, also clothing.

SINN FEIN INCENDIARISM.

LONDON, February 20th. The second successive week-end of incendiary fires started in Manchester district last night. The sinners are believed to be Sinn Fein. They set light to a farm-house with outside assistance and extinguished the flames. The places attacked were Altrincham, Crumpton, Chorlton-cum-Hardy and Northenden. Wood shavings and hay saturated with paraffin were found in different parts of the barns.

CONSUMPTION CURE.

LONDON, February 19th. Dr. Addison, speaking at Exeter, denied that the Ministry of Health had sent a specialist to Geneva to investigate Dr. Scharlau's serum cure for consumption. He added that he had already carefully enquired into the alleged cure and, in order not to raise unfounded hopes, he must state that much further investigation was necessary.

CARDIGANSHIRE ELECTION.

LONDON, February 19th. The Cardiganshire by-election resulted as follows:—
Mr. Evans (Coalition Liberal) 14,111
Mr. Llewellyn Williams (Independent Liberal) 10,521

TREBITSCH LINCOLN.

VIENNA, February 20th. The notorious Trebitsch Lincoln, ex-member of the British Parliament, has been arrested. It is alleged that he forced documents supporting allegations of a revolutionary plot against the Czechoslovakian Government.

TO HELP EXPORTS.

PARIS, February 19th. The Government is contemplating various measures giving further facilities to export trade with a view to bringing relief to such industries as are suffering from the present business depression. It is said that the Government is considering the possibility of granting a 5 per cent. discount on export duties for goods exported in the first three months of the year.

COMMUNIST DEFEAT.

PARIS, February 19th. A meeting of the Paris Employers' Union for election to the Board of Directors of the Paris Labour Exchange has again resulted in the defeat of the extreme Communist element. —Havas.

VICEROY OF INDIA.

ALLAHABAD, February 19th. The Viceroy, who was proceeding to Calcutta, was held up near Allahabad by Non-co-operation extremists, and the train was not allowed to proceed. The Viceroy was compelled to return to Delhi. The departure of the Viceroy's train is officially denied.

MOTOR SHOW FIRE.

DELHI, February 20th. Goods worth twenty lakhs of rupees were damaged in a disastrous fire at a motor show here. Many splendid cars were destroyed.

CALCUTTA STRIKE RIOT.

CALCUTTA, February 20th. Violent scenes have taken place here in consequence of transport strikers opposing attempts to run cars. The strikers assembled outside the depot and assaulted willing drivers. The police arrived in motor-cars and were stoned. Some of them were injured. Subsequently, armed police were compelled to fire. One striker was killed and a hand had to be taken to hospital. Order was then restored.

MARTIAL LAW IN HUNGARY.

VIENNA, February 20th. It is reported from Hungary that the Government, fearing a general strike, has proclaimed martial law. The political situation in Hungary has become much worse recently owing to reactionary Government measures affecting the liberty of the Press and the right to hold meetings.

U.S. IMMIGRATION BILL.

WASHINGTON, February 20th. The Senate has adopted, without opposition, an amendment to the Immigration Restriction Bill reducing the number of aliens of any nationality admissible in the coming year from 5 to 3 per cent. of the number of persons of such nationality already in the United States. The Senate action follows the amended, and it now goes to a conference representing both the Houses.

ATTACKS ON GEORGIA.

LONDON, February 20th. It appears that the Soviet Governments of Armenia and Azerbaijan have combined to crush the Republic of Georgia, which has so far resisted the attempts to "bolshewise" it. Reuter's Constantinople correspondent reports that an Armenian attack on the Georgian from the south was followed by an Azerbaijani attack from the east. Several Russian divisions, with cavalry, are advancing towards Tiflis. The Georgian Government has ordered the evacuation of the city. The British and French consuls and members of the foreign communities have already departed.

NEW MARSHALLS.

PARIS, February 19th. General Yagor, Lavayette and Francis d'Espèy have been pronounced Marshals.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

NEW SECRETARY OF STATE IN AMERICA.

St. Augustine (Florida), Feb. 20th. It is announced that Mr. Hughes has agreed to accept the Secretaryship of State under Mr. Harding.

ALLIED CONFERENCE.

LONDON, February 20th. On the eve of the Near Eastern and Operations Conference in London, Mr. Briand, in a statement to the Observer, says that while he does not overlook difficulties, he faces the forthcoming conference with the utmost confidence. The Paris conference has brought France and Great Britain nearer each other on essential questions. His task in this connection has been facilitated by his cordial friendship with Mr. Lloyd George, enabling them to approach the thorniest problem without fear of fatal misunderstanding. France has no imperialistic ambitions. The Paris agreement showed that France is eminently reasonable. He is a resolute advocate of inter-allied solidarity politically and economically. "We shall see the end of the difficulties of peace as of war," says Mr. Briand, "but only if we walk hand in hand. The union of France and England is the keystone of that system."

ANOTHER GERMAN GRIEVANCE.

LONDON, February 20th. The Germans complain that the time allowed to reply to the account of the Entente war losses rendered by the Reparations Commission is too short. It is semi-officially stated that the complaint is mistaken, as Germany is allowed till the beginning of April to express an opinion on the whole question, and this is sufficient time.

DURHAM, February 19th. Conferring with the Hessian Government, Herr von Simons emphasised the fact that the failure of the London Conference would mean the immediate enforcement of the penalties against Germany, which could only be enforced when Germany rejected the demands of the Reparations Commission with whom, according to the Peace Treaty, the decision lay. He therefore urged Germans strongly to support the Government's refusal.

In bidding farewell to the Reparations Commission, Mr. Bagdon, the United States representative, hoped that America would shortly be permanently represented on the Commission.

M. Dubois, president of the Commission, echoed the hope and declared it was unbelievable that the United States could ever momentarily hold aloof from the affairs and fate of Europe. "America could not forget her sacrifices in the war and the solidarity uniting her with the Allies," Sir John Bradbury, the British, Signor Raggi, the Italian, and M. Delacroix, the Belgian representatives also hoped that Mr. Bagdon would soon return. Mr. Delacroix said "It is impossible to believe that, just when we are entering port and about to begin discussions which demand its assistance, the United States is abandoning us."

IMPERIAL AFFAIRS.

LONDON, February 20th. The Observer agrees that the Dominions and India must be consulted as regards the question of Egypt, but the journal says that the delay over the question shows how much we lack the machinery to make a common consultation upon matters of general concern to the constituent nations of the Empire continuous and effective.

Referring to the Melbourne paper's doubts with regard to the Premier's statement that Empire defence should be a matter of Imperial concern, the Observer emphasises the fact that no party or prominent individual in Home politics wishes to force the policy of concentration or saddle the Dominions with unwelcome responsibilities. No such proposal is ever likely to be made from Great Britain. The division of the Colonial Office into two distinct parts will be the first step towards clarifying the Imperial position, but nothing definite is likely to be done before the Imperial Conference, when the Observer hopes, a small permanent secretariat will be established, the staff of which will be drawn from all the countries concerned. This will become the appropriate department, where by the Home and Dominion Governments will normally be kept in touch.

JAPAN'S STATUS IN YAP.

LONDON, February 19th. A New York telegram says that the State Department has received unofficially the draft mandate for the ex-German islands in North Pacific granted to Japan by the Peace Conference.

According to the New York Times, the officials state that the United States does not regard the mandate as applying to the island of Yap, which President Wilson boldly was specifically excepted by an unwritten agreement among members of the Supreme Council and reserved for disposal by the Communications Conference. It is understood that the opinions of the Allied representatives differ as regards the status of Yap. It is believed that Great Britain supported the claims of Japan, whose position is said to be that she would yield to the objections of the United States with regard to Yap, provided that Great Britain allowed equal rights for Japanese nationals in the ex-German South Pacific islands now given by mandate to Australia and New Zealand.

FRENCH EXPANSION IN CHINA.

PARIS, February 19th. The former Premier M. Painlevé delivered a lecture before the Institute for Higher Commercial Studies in Strasbourg on French expansion in China. He said that the French position in China is a small field she is offering to all forms of French activity. —Havas.

CHANCELLOR OF HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

LONDON, February 19th. Sir William and Lady Brunyate have left for the Far East aboard the P. & O. s.s. Soudan.

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Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

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(FRENCH BANK.)

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... F. 150,000,000

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RESERVE FUNDS ... F. 60,000,000

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